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## MEDICAID MEMO

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TO: All Providers Participating in the Virginia Medical

Assistance Program and all Interested Parties receiving

Virginia Medicaid Provider Manuals

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DATE

**SUBJECT:** Changes in the Distribution of Virginia Medicaid Provider Manuals

Provider manuals can be viewed and downloaded from the Department of Medical Assistance Services' (DMAS) web site, free of charge. The Internet address for our web site is <a href="https://www.dmas.state.va.us">www.dmas.state.va.us</a>. Effective December 16th, 2002, paper copies of Virginia Medicaid Manuals and manual updates will no longer be provided free of charge to providers participating in the Virginia Medicaid program and all other interested parties who have previously requested copies of paper manuals and updates to manuals.

Virginia Medicaid providers will still receive FAMIS client brochures and handbooks on request, Medicaid memoranda (other than those announcing manual updates), training letters and other correspondence via U.S. mail. Announcements of manual updates will be posted on the DMAS web site and also will be made through remittance advice messages. In addition, all claim and billing forms unique to Virginia Medicaid, as well as pharmacy and dental forms, will still be available free of charge from our mailing contractor, Commonwealth-Martin.

If you do not have access to the Internet and wish to receive a paper copy of a Virginia Medicaid manual, you can contact Commonwealth-Martin at 804-780-0076. You will be charged for the printing and mailing of the manuals and manual updates requested.

## "HELPLINE"

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786-6273 Richmond area 1-800-552-8627 All other areas

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